

Social and Personal

Virginia On the James.
Virginia was but six years old,
In those good Colony days,
When high-bred little maids like her,
Wore stomachers and stays,
Her gown, o'er brodered petticoat,
Reached to her tiny feet,
Her cap was fastened 'neath her chin
'With band secure and neat,
And such a picture fair was she
As ever you could wish to see—
Virginia on the James!

And when the nation's president
Was Thomas Jefferson,
Virginia, who had just turned six,
Appeared in Washington,
With gown of flower'd chintz and milts
Of linen white as snow,
And kerchief crossed upon her breast,
And cap tied with a bow,
And people said—the old and sage—
"How like her mother at her age!"
Virginia on the James!

And as the years were rolling on—
For time will fly apace—
Behold Virginia, just turned six,
Show a bewitching face,
Beneath a jaunty gipsy hat,
With gown below her knee,
And pantalets a half-yard wide
Of rich embroidery,
And oftentimes a pinafore
And slippers, too, she wore,
Virginia on the James!

And is Virginia living now?
I cannot say you may,
For, gowned in latest style for six,
I saw her yesterday,
In Paris coat and hat and gloves,
So blithe she tripped along,
The very birds to look at her,
Did hush their morning song.
But what in future years her dress
Shall be, nor you nor I can guess.
—Zitella Cooke, in Youth's Companion.

PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES.

A. P. V. A. Tea.

The annual tea given by the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities was held Thursday afternoon at No. 707 East Franklin Street, from 5 to 7 P. M.

The rooms were prettily decorated in red, blue and white, crimson carnations and palms. Refreshments were served under the direction of Miss Mattie Harris and Miss Annie Jones.

The receiving party was composed of the officers of the association: Mrs. J. Traylor Elyson, first vice-president, Mrs. E. V. Valentine, Mrs. J. H. Welford, Mrs. Charles E. Ball, Mrs. William Rufin Cox, Mrs. John B. Lightfoot, Mrs. W. T. Robbins, Mrs. J. Enders Robinson, assisted by the following members of the central committee, whose names are: Mrs. Decatur Axtell, Mrs. W. A. Anderson, Mrs. Samuel Yonge, Mrs. W. G. Starnard, Mrs. Egbert Leigh, Mrs. J. R. Cannon, Mrs. James Caskie, Mrs. George W. Bagby, Mrs. Henry Taylor, Mrs. Thomas Bolling, Mrs. C. W. P. Brock, Mrs. Theo. Elyson, Mrs. A. J. Montague, Mrs. Joseph E. Wines, Mrs. R. W. Watkins, Mrs. R. L. Traylor, Mrs. E. D. Taylor, Mrs. William Russell Jones, Mrs. J. Alston Cabell, Mrs. J. Caskie Cabell and Mrs. Henry Gibson.

A large number of callers came to do honor to the occasion which proved extremely pleasant. The ladies of the receiving party being handsomely gowned and the rooms presenting a most animated and brilliant appearance.

D. A. R. Meeting.

The adjourned meeting for the election of officers of the Commonwealth Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be held at No. 15 E. East Franklin Street, on Saturday, January 6th, at 12 o'clock.

The regent earnestly requests each member to be present as business of much importance is to be transacted.

Daughters to Meet.

The Richmond Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will hold its annual meeting in Lee Camp Hall at 11 A. M. on Wednesday, December 10th. The dues are twenty-five cents. The members will kindly note the change in the hour and the dues. Visiting Daughters are always welcomed.

Annual Election.

The board of the Home for Needy Confederate Women met Thursday at noon and elected the following officers: Miss Mary Custis Lee, honorary president; Mrs. Andrew J. Montague, president; Mrs. William Greime, secretary; Mrs. J. H. Dingley, Mrs. Dingley Raab, Mrs. J. H. Ridgeley, Mrs. McCabe, Mrs. A. J. Pyle and Mrs. O'Brien, vice-presidents; Miss Pearl Bodeker, corresponding secretary; Mrs. E. Raab, treasurer, and Mrs. E. H. Clowes, recording secretary.

The Home, which has been thoroughly repaired, is entirely free from debt, through the payment, by Mrs. Montague, of six hundred dollars. The following new members have been added to the board: Mrs. J. A. Lefroy, Mrs. Charles Taliaferro, Mrs. J. A. Cole and Mrs. Edenton.

Out-of-Town Society.

The Bachelors' german will be given in Washington, D. C., at the New Willard Hotel, on January 19th. Mrs. John Davis will receive, assisted by the committee, which includes Major Charles L. McCawley, Mr. P. Lee Phillips, Major Montgomery Macomb, Mr. Reginald Hildekoper, Mr. J. M. Carlisle, Mr. William H. Hitt, and Mr. George Howard. The favors will consist of green wicker baskets, decorated with holly, holly leaves, and red berries, and wide red sashes, with a fan attached to the end, for women, while for the men there will be flat gold pencils and paper cutters adorned with a parrot head. There will also be flower favors of red roses and carnations for both men and women. Colonel William H. Mitchell, former chief clerk of the State Department in

THE COHEN COMPANY

Rummage and Remnants.

We will make a double event of this sale to-day. The large accumulations of remnants from heavy sales—the throwing out of all seasonable goods in small lots at sacrifice prices. These two events will be the feature of the day. Some hints:

Hundreds of Colored Dress Goods Remnants at just half price.
12 1/2-2e and 15e for Women's Suits and Coats a third to a fourth of original prices.
English Long Cloth, 6 1/2-2e.
5e and 10e for Women's 15e and 25e Neckwear.
Embroideries, soiled in display, 5e for values to 12 1/2e and 25e for values to 60e.
All of the Women's last season Suits and Coats a third to a fourth of original prices.
Muslin Gowns and Skirts which show handling, were 98c, for 50c.
Fur Pieces at a third to a half.
40c Floor Oil Cloth, 18c a yard.
\$5 Lace Curtains, \$1.05 a pair.

Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Eliot Norton.

No. 706.

As a Beam O'er the Face of the Waters.

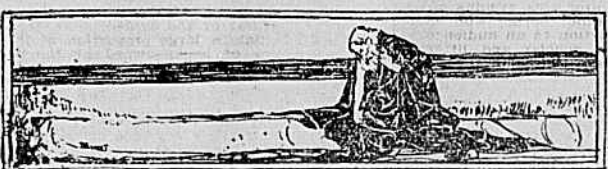
By THOMAS MOORE.

This is one of the "Irish Melodies." Other selections from Moore, his portrait, autograph and biographical sketch have already been printed in this series.

As a beam o'er the face of the waters may glow
While the tide runs in darkness and coldness below,
So the cheek may be tinged with a warm sunny smile,
Though the cold heart to ruin runs darkly the while.

One fatal remembrance, one sorrow that throws
Its bleak shade alike o'er our joys and our woes,
To which life nothing darker or brighter can bring,
For which joy has no balm and affliction no sting—

Oh! this thought in the midst of enjoyment will stay,
Like a dead, leafless branch in the summer's bright ray;
The beams of the warm sun play round it in vain,
It may smile in his light, but it blooms not again.



This series began in The Times-Dispatch Sunday, Oct. 11, 1903. One is published each day.

Washington, and recently appointed consular-general to Calcutta, India, will leave, accompanied by his wife and daughter, to assume the duties of his new position on January 10th. The family will sail January 13th for Naples, where they will spend a week before proceeding to Calcutta, via Ceylon.

Brown-Garrett.

The announcement of the engagement of Miss Charlotte Lee Garrett, of Baltimore, to Mr. Reginald Stewart Brown, of New York, will be of interest to a wide family connection of the bride in Virginia. Miss Garrett has often visited in Winchester, Va., and is a niece of Mrs. Nancy Lee Coble, of that city. She is the daughter of Mr. Charles Canby Garrett, of Baltimore. Her mother was a Virginian, and she is closely related to the Lees and other prominent families of the State, being the great-granddaughter of Richard Henry Lee.

Mr. Brown is connected with the well known firm of Brown Brothers, of New York, London and Baltimore, and is a rising young banker. He comes of the famous Knickerbocker stock of New York.

The wedding will take place in Baltimore early in the fall.

McCaw-Brecht.

A wedding of much interest to Virginians was that of Mr. Thomas de Graffenried McCaw, of Winchester, and Miss Nannie Augusta Brecht, of Washington, D. C., which took place in the Western Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. C., on Saturday evening last.

Mr. McCaw, who is a member of an old Virginia family, is connected with the War Department in Washington, and holds a responsible position. Mr. McCaw is a nephew of Judge William M. Atkinson, of Winchester, Va.

The bride is a handsome Washington girl. Her father is Captain T. C. Brecht, of Washington, who served in the war between the States, and who now is connected with the Bureau of Construction. Mr. and Mrs. McCaw are at present on their wedding trip, and will be at home at Berwyn, Md., after the first of February.

College German.

The Sigma Alpha Club, of Roanoke, gave a New Year's german in the college auditorium in honor of the students of Virginia College, who spent their holidays there. The german was chaperoned by Mrs. J. S. Boatwright, Miss Mattie Harris and was led by Messrs. Duncan Hobart and Strother Jones.

Ice Carnival.

A meeting of Pickett-Buchanan Chapter, U. D. C., presided over by the president, Mrs. James J. Leigh, was held in Norfolk Tuesday.

A programme of exercises to be held on January 19th, General Robert E. Lee's birthday, was decided on. An ice carnival to be held for a week at the Ice Palace, was also decided on. The proceeds of this carnival will be used to complete the Norfolk Confederate monument by the year 1907. The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot says in regard to the carnival:

The idea is to make the carnival a large affair. It will be the first of the kind ever held in the South, and is sure to be a drawing card. Among the suggestions to attract the crowds is the holding of a masquerade ball on the ice, offering prizes for the fastest, most unique and most comical costumes worn. Other features will be races between local skaters for prizes, hockey games between local teams, and exhibitions of fancy skating. Other ideas will be developed and announced as the plans are formulated.

McCorkle-Lyle.

Mrs. Margaret H. Lyle, of "Clifton," Rockbridge county, Va., announces the engagement of her daughter, Margaret, to Mr. J. S. Boatwright, Miss Mattie McCorkle, of Charleston, W. Va. The wedding will be celebrated on January

Cann. The announcement possesses a Richmond interest, because the prospective bride is the granddaughter of the late Andrew Pizzini, Sr., of Richmond, her mother having formerly been well known in Richmond as Miss Mary Pizzini.

Mr. Devenney is the Baltimore representative of the American Car and Foundry Company, of Wilmington, Del. The wedding will take place this month, in the home of Mrs. McCann, on Calvert Street, after which the bride and groom will spend some time at Palm Beach and other southern points. They will live at Wilmington, Del.

Beth Ababa Whist.

The Beth Ababa Auxiliary had the second of its series of whist parties at the Jefferson Club yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

A large crowd was present and there were twenty-five tables, and very enthusiastic playing. The next of the series will be held on Tuesday, January 9th.

Miss Carrie Reynolds paid her aunt in Fredericksburg, a short visit this week.

Miss Mattie Tredway is visiting relatives in Danville.

Mrs. George O. Ruehl is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Weber, in Baltimore.

Misses May and Annie Elder and Emma Atkinson, who have been the guests of Mrs. James H. Dooley, have returned to their home in Staunton.

Messrs. C. W. Sale, F. C. Pratt and Dr. J. H. Smith, who have been spending the holidays in King George, have returned to the city to resume their studies at the University College of Medicine.

Mr. Marion G. Willis, Jr., has returned to Richmond College from Fredericksburg, where he spent the holidays with his parents.

Senator and Mrs. Thomas S. Martin had a house-warming Saturday afternoon, when almost all Washington smart and official society paid their respects to them in their new home, No. 2111 S Street.

Miss Mattie Miller has returned to Staunton, after a pleasant visit here.

Mrs. H. S. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Malone, all of Richmond, attend the Bowles-Lewis wedding which took place in Roanoke on Wednesday.

The date of the wedding of Miss Hilda-garde McKenna, youngest daughter of Mr. Justice and Mrs. McKenna, to Mr. John Leggett Pultz, of New York, has been set for February 21st. The ceremony will take place in the home of the family on Rhode Island Avenue.

Leutenant-Governor Joseph E. Willard was registered at Hotel Buckingham, N. Y., on Wednesday, January 3d.

Miss Nellie Gordon has returned to the city after a visit to Mrs. William Mahone, Jr., of Petersburg.

Miss Merrill, of Iowa, who is a student at the Woman's College here, has returned from Newport News, where she spent the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. H. E. Parker.

Mr. N. A. Lavinder has returned to Lynchburg after a visit here.

Miss Ella Balfour, who was the recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Randolph Caldwell, of West Appomattox, Va., was a guest of honor at an entertainment given by her host and hostess last Thursday evening. She delighted the company with several humorous recitations.

Mrs. James D. Prentiss left the city this week to visit relatives in Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Miss Sarah Patterson Weisger visited her parents in Augusta, Ga., during Christmas week.

Miss Louise McAdams was a bridesmaid last Wednesday at noon when Miss Harriet Aldridge Gibson, of Waterford, Loudoun county, was married to Mr. James Hamilton Fraser, of South Carolina. Miss McAdams will visit friends in Pittsburgh, Pa., before returning to Richmond.

Miss Anne Martin, of Asheville, N. C., will be the guest of Miss Rebecca Gordon.

The Rev. Dr. George L. Shearer and wife, of New York, paid a visit to Richmond last week in commemoration of the fortieth anniversary of their marriage, when they came here on their wedding tour.

Mrs. Arthur Phipps Ripley, of New York, who spent the holidays here with her parents, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Arthur Taylor has returned to her home in Newport News, after spending a month with her mother here.

Misses Frankie and Lavinia Dudley, of the Woman's College, have returned to the city after spending the holidays with their aunt, Mrs. W. W. Moffett, in Salem, Va.

Mr. D. N. Davidson, of Richmond Col-

A WELL SPREAD TABLE.
And the Man "Fell Out" With It.

A manufacturer in Mo. says he started out as a young man with almost perfect health, but that, "by the time I was twenty-four my digestive apparatus was so completely wrecked as to make my life a positive burden."

"I was neither a hard drinker nor an inveterate user of tobacco—my condition could not be charged up to these things. I had simply ruined my digestion by a course of living common among those who indulge in unwisely selected food and deny their appetites nothing. And so years passed, during which every sort of food seemed to do just the opposite of what it should have done, with me. The sight and smell of food made me deadly sick. In brief, I had dyspepsia. In its worst form, and spent many a hard earned dollar for remedies which did me no good whatever."

"This was my condition when a friend insisted that I should try Grape-Nuts food, and to please him I consented, expecting to derive no more benefit or pleasure from it than I had from other prepared food that I had tried. But I was most happily disappointed."

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"I am well now—seems like I cannot be ill—and Grape-Nuts is still found on my table, in one form or another, at every meal, and it is never out of supply in my home. A meal without Grape-Nuts is a mighty poor meal for me. Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. There's a reason."

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lege, has returned after spending the holidays with his parents at Ford's Store, Va.

Mr. C. V. Gibson has returned from Newport News to resume his studies at the Medical College of Virginia.

Mrs. Well, of Washington, D. C., who will give a lecture reading at the Woman's Club on Monday afternoon next, will arrive in Richmond on Saturday next. Miss Roberta Allen's friends are pleased to note that she, too, will be at the club and take part in the programme next Monday.

Miss Edith Merrill is visiting the Misses Tyler, in Williamsburg, Va.

The Sunday Memphis Times, of December 31st, says: Mr. Robert Lee Traylor and family, who have recently removed to Memphis from Richmond, Va., are at No. 678 Vance Street. Mrs. Traylor is pleasantly remembered in Memphis as the younger daughter of the late Mr. M. J. Gavin and the sister of Mrs. M. L. Carter.

FAIRMOUNT NEWS

Miss Mattie Harris has returned to Hanover county after spending the holidays with her father here.

The friends of Mrs. Charles Clayton, of the West End, but formerly of Fairmount, will be glad to learn that she is getting along nicely. Miss Earl and Master Ole Lively have returned from a delightful stay with their aunt, Mrs. James Carroll, of Lakeside.

Mr. and Mrs. Golden have returned from their bridal trip and are at home to their friends on Carrington Street.

Mr. William Morris, of Gordonsville, Va., was the guest of his brother, M. J. Morris, during the past week. Mr. Morris has left for Newport News, where he has accepted a position.

Mrs. Greenhouse and family spent the holidays with relatives at Beaver Dam. Mr. J. Shotton and his son, Mr. Ernest Shotton, spent a delightful time with relatives in Tobaccoville, Dallas and Winston-Salem, N. C.

Miss Marie Gary returned a few days ago from a delightful stay with Mrs. Singleton at Sabot, Goodland county.

Miss Edna Hester recently visited friends at Waynesboro, Va., and Clifton Forge.

Messrs. Eddie Reynolds and E. Eubank joined a party of young men a few days ago on a hunting trip to King William county.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dudley, of New York, were the guests of Mrs. T. E. Wright, mother of the latter, here recently.

Mr. Ernest England, of Westmoreland county, visited the family of Mr. S. J. England during the holidays.

Mrs. Sallie Smith, who has been visiting here for some time, has left for Louisa county.

Mrs. Mollie Jones, of Louisa Courthouse, who was recently the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. J. Morris, of No. 1315 Twenty-second Street, has returned home.

Mrs. Starnell, of Cumberland county, is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Wade.

Mr. M. J. Morris has returned from a visit to relatives in Gordonsville, Va.

Mrs. James Carroll and little son, of Henrico county, were the guests of Mrs. Huel Walker during the past week.

Miss Maude Scott has returned from a delightful visit to friends at Bowling Green.

The Epworth League of Fairmount M. E. Church will have an evening with "John Wesley Sunday evening at the M. E. Church. Most interesting programme has been arranged for the occasion, and an evening of real pleasure to all who attend.

Mrs. Mollie Jones was taken to the hospital a few days ago for treatment after an illness of several weeks' duration at home.

Mr. Junie Doggett and Messrs. Henry and Wesley Long, of Caroline county, were the guests of Mrs. Tate during the past week.

Miss Maggie Tate, who has been ill in her home in Howard's Grove for some time, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezekiel Talley and Misses Edith and Sadie and Master Aubrey Talley have returned from a visit to Mrs. Lula Dyson, in Hanover county.

Mr. William Vall, of Hanover county, who recently moved from Fairmount, is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. John Talley, of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyzotte have returned from a delightful visit to friends in Baltimore.

Master Arthur Mills has been quite sick in his home on Mosby Street for the past several days.

Mr. Stuart Perry continues quite sick in his home on Howard's Grove.

Miss Ada Burton, of Huntington, W. Va., spent the holidays here with relatives. Miss Burton formerly lived in Fairmount.

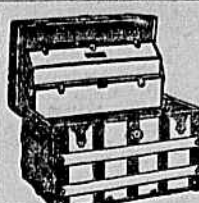
Mrs. John Goldsby has returned from Petersburg, Va., where she visited her grandmother, Mrs. Grimes, and other friends.

Miss Minnie Crowder recently visited her friend, Mrs. Anderson, in Henrico county.

ENLARGING BUSINESS.

Mr. Wyatt Becomes Member of Concern of B. T. Crump & Co.

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